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### COMPLETE LISTING OF THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application. Claims 1, 2, 6, 9-12 and 21-24 have been amended.

1. (Currently Amended) A system for dynamically extending application preference classes comprising:

[[an instance registry component;]]

a first executable application including one or more functions that are registered in the ~~register~~ a registry component; and

~~an extension component which reads candidate functions from the instance registry and creates bindings between a second application and a first such that the second application can utilize the functions of the first application.~~

an extension component that reads function data from the registry and binds a second executable application to the first, wherein second application preference class declarations are bound to the functions provided by the first application.

2. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 1, wherein the ~~instance~~ registry component comprises a definition registry for storing function definitions and a binding registry for storing binding data.

3. (Original) The system of claim 1, wherein the functions provide conditions.

4. (Original) The system of claim 1, wherein the functions provide events.

5. (Original) The system of claim 1, wherein the functions provide accessors.

6. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 1, wherein ~~candidate~~ functions are only available for binding to specific applications.

7. (Original) The system of claim 2, wherein the binding registry receives function binding information from an extension data file (EDF).

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8. (Original) The system of claim 1, wherein the binding is broken upon removal of the function providing application.
9. (Currently Amended) A system for extending ~~conditions~~ condition constants comprising:  
an input component for receiving a ~~programmable~~ constant accessor; and  
an accessory component for determining the constant accessor value from data stored across a plurality of domains.
10. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 9, wherein the constant accessor is a first order constant accessor.
11. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 9, wherein the constant accessor is an Nth order constant accessor.
12. (Currently Amended) A method for extending application preference class functionality comprising:  
receiving an extension data file (EDF) containing information about candidate function bindings;  
registering one or more function bindings in a central data store; and  
binding a function of a first executable application to a preference class of a second executable application utilizing binding function information located in the central data store.
13. (Original) The method of claim 12, further comprising applying acceptance logic to determine whether the second application will accept the binding.
14. (Original) A computer readable medium having stored thereon computer executable instructions for carrying out the method of claim 12.

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15. (Original) A method of uninstalling an application comprising:  
removing all application registrations from central storage location;  
removing program components; and  
notifying dependant applications.
16. (Original) The method of claim 15, wherein the central storage location is an instance registry.
17. (Original) The method of claim 16, wherein the instance registry comprises a definition registry and a binding registry.
18. (Original) The method of claim 17, wherein removing registrations comprises removing registrations in the definition registry and the binding registry.
19. (Original) The method of claim 15, wherein the notifying dependant applications causes dependant applications to place their dependencies in a NotAvailable state.
20. (Original) A computer readable medium having stored thereon computer executable instructions for carrying out the method of claim 15.
21. (Currently Amended) A method for extending ~~programmative constants~~ constant accessors comprising:  
receiving a ~~programmative~~ constant accessor; and  
resolving the value of the constant accessor by searching across application domains.
22. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 21, wherein the constant accessor is a first order constant accessor.
23. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 21, wherein the constant accessor is an Nth order constant accessor.

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24. (Currently Amended) A computer readable medium having stored thereon computer executable instructions for ~~easy~~ carrying out the method of claim 21.